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SUBJECT: EARLY WARNING: PETROLEUM EXPLORATION CONTRACTS IN
ARGENTINA

1. ARGENTINA'S DIRECCION NACIONAL DE COMBUSTIBLES WILL HOLD INTERNATIONAL BID CONTESTS FOR EXPLORATION OF FIVE OFF-SHORE AND TWO ON-SHORE AREAS IN TIERRA DEL FUTOON AND FOUR ON-SHORE AREAS IN THE NORTH WESTERN PROVINCES OF SALTA AND FORMOSA, COVERING A TOTAL OF 12,000 SQUARE KILOMETERS.

2. BID SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE ISSUED DECEMBER 13, AND MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: DIRECCION NACIONAL DE COMBUSTIBLES, SECRETARIA DE ESTADO DE ENERGIA, AV. JULIO A. ROCA 651, PISO 7, 1067 BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA.

3. TENTATIVE TIME SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS: DEC. 13, SPECIFICATIONS AVAILABLE. ON/OR ABOUT MARCH 15, BIDS SUBMITTED AND OPENED. ON/OR ABOUT APRIL 30, BEGIN CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH FIRM(S) SELECTED.

4. ARGENTINA'S HYDROCARBONS LAW NO. 17,319 OF 1967, IS STILL IN EFFECT AND WILL GOVERN.
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